Nixon Estate

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SANA ANA, Calif.—The Orange County board of supervisors voted Tuesday to pay the state $4,500 to finance the reappraisal of President Nixon's Western White House estate to determine if it has been undertaxed.

The supervisors acted after state tax authorities said there were indications the estate was undervalued on the tax rolls. The county assessor has defended his valuation of $1.37 million. Critics point out that Mr. Nixon paid $1.5 million for the estate. A major issue in the dispute is whether the work paid for by $700,000 in federal funds spent on the estate can be considered taxable improvements or an untaxed federal installation.